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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3651**
Shinya TANAKA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005_1857A
Serial No. 10/560,891 : Group Art Unit 1609
Filed January 20, 2006 : Examiner David K. Odell
EPOXY COMPOUND AND : **Mail Stop Amendment**
CURED EPOXY RESIN PRODUCT

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of April 6, 2007, constituting a restriction requirement among Groups I-V as defined on page 4 of the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I.

This election is made while reserving Applicants' rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter of Groups II-V.

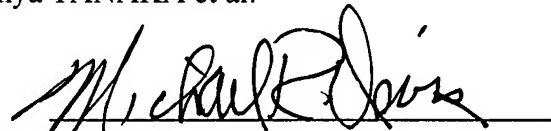
Referring to item 2 on pages 2-3 of the Office Action, the Examiner appears to be suggesting that Applicants should amend the specification to insert a cross reference to the PCT application on which the present application is based. However, as apparent from MPEP 1893.03(c), and specifically the sentence bridging the columns on page 1800-199, such as cross reference is not necessary.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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